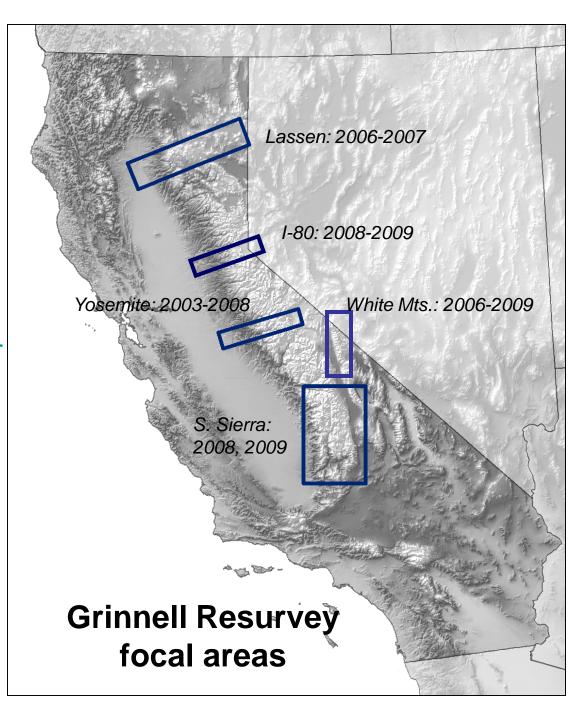
Grinnell's vision



Joseph Grinnell 1877 - 1939 MVZ Director 1908 - 1939

"... the greatest purpose of our museum... will not be realized until the lapse of many years, possibly a century...and this is that the student of the future will have access to the original record of faunal conditions in California and the west, wherever we now work" (Grinnell, 1910).



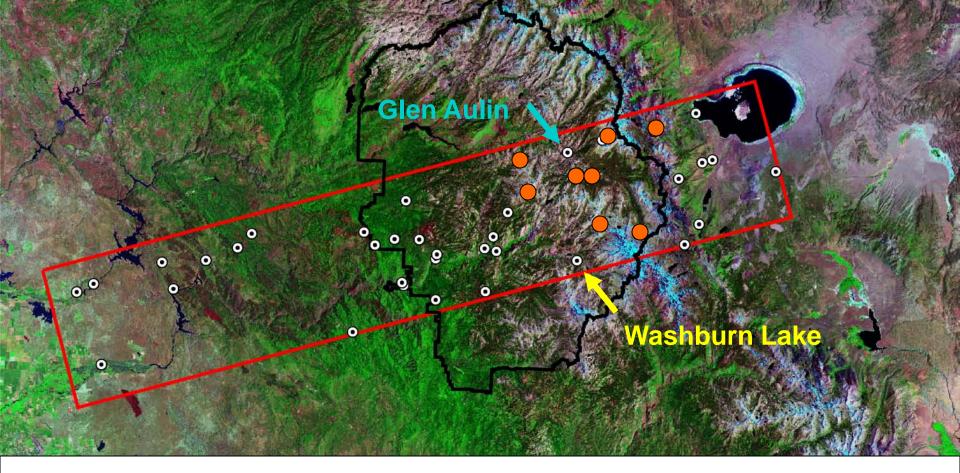
Pika - Yosemite transect Grinnell Resurvey Project

Grinnell era [1915-1916]

- •pika recorded at 9 of 41 original "sites" at elevations ranging from 7800 to ~10,500 ft -- data either collected specimens or observations gleaned from field notes
- pika collected at 10 additional localities [all within same elevational range]
- •unknown number of localities where pika were only observed -- these can be, but to date have not been, systematically gleaned from the fieldnotes

Resurvey [2003-2008]

- •pika found at 8 of the 9 "sites"
 where observed/collected in
 Grinnell era -- apparently absent at one [Glen Aulin at 7800 ft]
- not resurveyed at a second7800 ft locality where collected in Grinnell era [Washburn Lake]
- •pika collected or observed at ~20 additional localities [between an elevation range of 8300 to 11,000 ft] we made no attempt to survey all likely habitat when visiting an area or walking trails



NR = not resurveyed R = resurveyed

WEST SLOPE	Elevation	EAST SLOPE	Elevation
E. Fork Indian Canyon	6840	Warren Fork [R-present]	9900
Mono Meadow	7110	Gem lake [NR]	9170
1 mi E Merced Lake	7500	Walker Lake	8500
Glen Aulin [R-absent]	7800	Silver lake	7615
Porcupine Flat	8250	Mono Mills	7300
Soda Springs [R-present]	8800	Williams Butte	7050
Fairview Dome [R-present]	9200	Farrington Ranch	6830
Ten Lakes [R-present]	9200	Mono Lake P.O.	6390
Young Lakes [R-present]	9930		
Upper Lyell Canyon [R-present]	10200		
Vogelsang Lake [R-present]	10350		
Mt. Hoffman [NR* - 9300]	10500		[ele



Glen Aulin - 29 Sept. to 5 Oct. 1915: "camped on north side of the Tuolumne River at the east end of Glen Aulin, elevation 7800 ft" [T. I. Storer, p. 596]

- •"Conies were heard bleating at lower end of Glen Aulin in a rock-slide alt. 7700 ft" [W. P. Taylor, p. 2448]
- •"mammals heard & seen: Cony, 1 (heard in rock slide at about 7650 ft)" [Taylor, p.2454]
- •"On the SE side of McGee Lake I heard a cony barking from the rock-slide" [Storer, p. 604]
- •"in the rockslides which lie at the base of the canyon wall I found feces of marmot, woodrat, and cony. I also heard the call of the latter animal in two different places, but after 'roosting' on the rock piles for over an hokur saw nothing of them:" [Storer, p. 608]

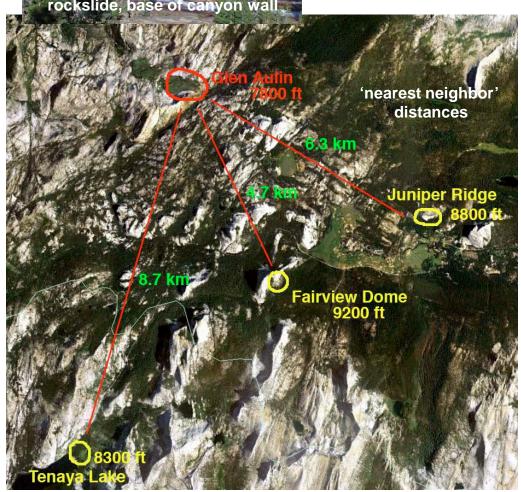


revisited:

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2006 - E. Rubidge

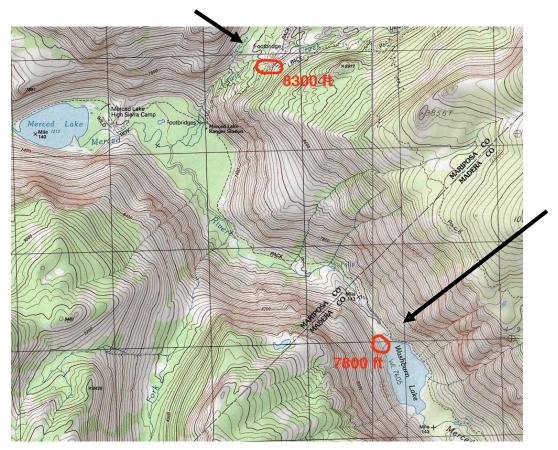
2008 - W. Hoffmann



"8:15 a.m. – Left camp [1 mi E Merced Lake] at 7:15, and am now on the Tuolumne Pass Trail up McClure Fork Canyon [Lewis Creek] at about 8300 ft...

9:15 a.m. – Cony (2 heard in small short talus piles along trail ... surrounded by typical Canadian forest and brush; still directly above a few hundred feet is ... tongue of Hudsonian...

4:20 p.m. – Back down at 8300 ft., where I heard the cony this morning. My 'squeaking' brot an answer, and after ten minutes or so, he appeared and I shot him. As usual it fell down into crevices of the rocks... I was unable to ... find the shot animal."

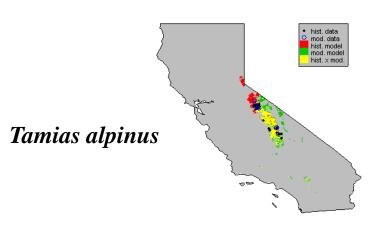


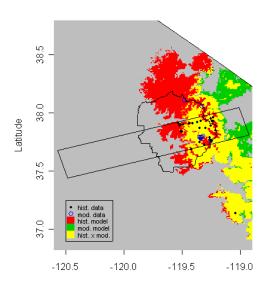
J. Grinnell fieldnotes Aug. 1915 pika observations Merced Lake - Washburn Lake

24 August 1915 (p. 1232)

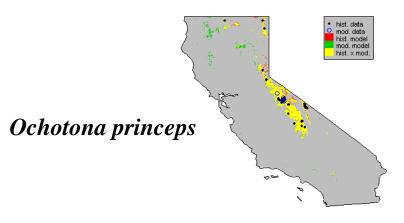
"9:45 am – Cony, heard three, and shot one in mass of boulders on talus immediately north of the lake and not more than 150 feet above its level, that is, elevation of about 7800 ft.! The ... surrounding steep slope is covered between the rocks with masses of chinquapin, C. cordulatus and the other Canadian chaparral plants. These particular rocks were lined up along side of a steep flood cone channel on the talus from the north-facing cliff above. Occurrence of conies here so low might be accounted for by the relatively nearness of Hudsonian on either band, and the extension of their associational habitat down these steep slopes."

Species distribution modeling [Maxent; historical climate variables]

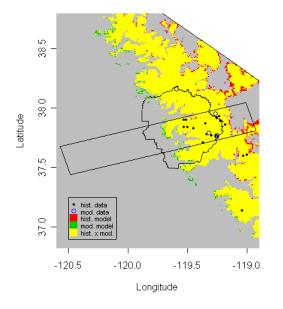




Range shift predicted and observed from Grinnell era to present



Predicted ranges: red + yellow = historic range; yellow + green = extant range



No predicted range shift from Grinnell era to present